



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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H.R. 2496

**A bill to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and
Design Program Act of 1994**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on October 6, 1999

H.R. 2496 would reauthorize discretionary funding for administration of the junior duck stamp program for fiscal years 2001 through 2005 at the current authorization level of \$250,000 annually. Under existing law, this authorization will expire after fiscal year 2000. Assuming appropriation of the amounts authorized by this bill, CBO estimates that the federal government would spend about \$250,000 in each of fiscal years 2001 through 2005. For fiscal year 1999, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which administers the program, received an appropriation of \$250,000. A full-year appropriation for this program has not yet been enacted for 2000. The appropriation is used for expenses of conducting the annual competition for the design of junior duck stamps.

H.R. 2496 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

The staff contact for this estimate is Deborah Reis. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.